Erring private medical and dental colleges

690. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some of the existing private medical and dental colleges are not following the existing guidelines and norms to admit the students;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what steps are being taken to redress the erring institutes?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c) There have been complaints alleging non-compliance of the orders of the concerned authorities and the Courts by some medical colleges. Necessary steps are being taken to see that these orders are implemented.

More powers to Medical Council of India

691. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Medical Council of India has sought more powers to deal with complaints of medical negligence; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

AIDS tests on NRIs and foreigners

692. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Bharatiya Patita Udhar Sabha has filed a public interest litigation in the Supreme Court that Acquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome tests be conducted in case of NRIs and foreigners;

(b) whether Central Government has taken any stand on this issues; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Yes, Sir. The Bharatiya Patita Udhar Sabha has filed a Public interest petition in the Hon'ble Supreme Court in which the Sabha have prayed Hon'ble Court to direct the Union of India and others to take the blood test for AIDS/HIV virus of each and every resident of India as well as those entering India.

(b) and (c) Government is not in favour of doing mandatory screening of every resident of India. However, guide lines were issued to all States/Union Territories in May, 1992 requiring HIV Free Certificates from WHO approved laboratories from all foreigners/NRI who intend to stay in India for more than a year. The country Diplomats/Priests/Nuns and accredited Journalists are exempted from this requirement;

गुजरात में केन्द्रीय सरकार स्वास्थ्य योजना

693. **श्री चिमनभाई हरिभाई शुक्ल** : क्या **स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) गुजरात के उन जिलों के नाम क्या-क्या हैं जहां सरकार अपने कर्मचारियों और पेंशन भोगियों की सुविधा हेतु सरकारी अस्पतालों में केन्द्रीय सरकार स्वास्थ्य योजना आरम्भ करने का विचार रखती है;

(ख) इस समय कौन-कौन से राज्यों में यह योजना प्रचलित है और इसके अंतर्गत कितने सरकारी कर्मचारियों तथा पेंशन भोगियों के नाम दर्ज हैं;

(ग) आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान गुजरात में इस योजना हेतु कितनी